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TOPICS OF THE DAY.

News from Everywhere.

THE American Rapid Telegraph Company's lines are to be extended to the Southwest.

GEN. H. J. HUNT, commanding the Department of the South, was placed on the retired list on the 14th.

THE receipts of the Patent Office for the fiscal year 1905, \$84, being \$305,889 more than last year.

THE Dakota Constitutional Convention voted on the 14th, 64 to 36, against inserting a prohibitory clause in the constitution.

ADMIRAL SIR RICHARD COLLINSON, who commanded the expedition which went in search of Sir John Franklin in 1850, died on the 13th.

THE Greeley relief expedition has already cost the Government \$100,000, aside from what will be claimed for the loss of the Proteus.

THE American Pomological Society closed its session at Philadelphia on the 14th. Michigan was chosen for the Convention in 1885.

THE federation of the trades and labor unions at Washington had taken steps to organize a society to protect young women from the insolence of dudes.

THE Ohio convention to choose delegates to the Louisville Colored Convention had been postponed to the 20th. The Maryland colored voters will send a delegation.

THE Directors of the Second National Bank at Warren, O., entered suit on the 11th against the bondsmen of defaulting Cashier Fuller, to secure the amount of his bond, \$15,000.

THERE were continued reports on the 10th of the damage to unmatured crops by frost throughout the Northwest. The Eastern States also suffered to a considerable extent.

MESSRS. Moody, McGranahan and Whittle, evangelists, leave the country October 2 for Ireland, on an active missionary campaign. They intend operating in the south of Ireland.

A TRADE-UNION conference in Birmingham, Eng., on the 13th adopted a resolution calling on the Government to take possession of uncultivated lands for general distribution.

THE Congress of Commerce and Industry at Amsterdam adopted a resolution recommending the adoption of a bi-metallic monetary standard throughout Europe and America.

IN the investigation as to the cause of the recent Riverdale steamboat explosion in North River, N. Y., it was shown that the boiler was leaky, and that the engineer had once blown up a tug.

THE White Lily is the name of a secret society which is fomenting a revolution against the Chinese government on the Yangtze River, much after the fashion of the Black Flag in Annam.

LIEUTENANT DANENHOWER, formerly of the Jeannette, and Mr. Tyson, formerly of the Polar, had expressed their willingness to take part in another Arctic expedition for the relief of Lieut. Greeley.

THE Greeley relief expedition had returned on the 13th and reported being unable to reach the men at the Arctic station. The relief ship Proteus was wrecked and the crew returned to Newfoundland in the Yantic.

A STATEMENT prepared at the Washington Money Order Office, based upon the returns for one week from 100 smaller money order offices, show that forty-two per cent, transmitted by the money order service was in postal notes.

EXPORTS of domestic produce (exclusive of specie) from New York for the week ended the 11th \$6,107,107, against \$7,172,686 the previous week. Total exports since January 1, \$247,106,067, against \$222,511,346 for the corresponding period in 1882.

A WASHINGTON dispatch of the 13th says: The total paper circulation now outstanding is \$831,757,000; total coin circulation, \$743,947,573; grand total, \$1,575,704,573. Assuming the total population to be 52,000,000, the distribution per capita would be \$30.29.

A WOMAN with an alias for every city she visited has been victimizing citizens of Easton, Pa.; Indianapolis, Ind.; Covington, Ky., and lately Wheeling, W. Va. She pretended to establish a Mosaic Art class, collecting money in advance and then leaving for fresh fields.

A BOTTLE was picked up on the 13th at the Charleston (S. C.) quarantine station, containing a slip of paper which, without date, said that the steam yacht Catherine, from New York for Jacksonville, Fla., was sinking off Hatteras, with a crew of nine persons.

POSTMASTER GENERAL GRESHAM issued an order on the 14th extending and confirming that issued by his predecessor, prohibiting the postmasters at New York City and New Orleans from paying money orders and delivering registered letters to the managers of the New Orleans Lottery Company.

CROP RETURNS from Maine, New Hampshire and Vermont on the 11th showed a fair condition. Probably the yield in Maine would reach: Wheat, 712,568 bushels; oats, 701,713; barley, 298,227; buckwheat, 300,000; rye, 30,000. In Vermont grain of all kinds looked finely. The estimated yield of the principal crop was: Potatoes, 3,500,000 bushels; oats, 2,063,000; wheat, 312,000; corn, 2,066,000; barley, 273,500; buckwheat, 370,000. The season has been favorable for the production of butter and cheese. Wool would probably fall below the average. In New Hampshire the returns indicated a large yield of cereals and potatoes. Following are the estimates: Corn, 1,325,121; oats, 1,072,141; barley, 77,287; wheat, 174,806; rye, 30,983; potatoes, 3,480,000.

PERSONAL AND GENERAL.

THE Western Union Telegraph Company ordered its regular quarterly dividend of one and three-quarters per cent. on the 11th.

THE Catholic clergy in Hungary have issued pastoral letters against the practice of Jew-baiting.

OCCASIONAL cholera cases occurred in Alexandria, but the disease was rapidly disappearing throughout Egypt.

THE Lancashire (Eng.) Cotton Spinners' Society demanded a reduction of wages for both weavers and spinners on the 11th.

THE British Government had decided to form the nucleus of the new Egyptian police from the Irish constabulary.

A SAIL boat capsized on Lake Champlain on the 9th with three men. Two were drowned and the third drifted ten hours before reaching land.

J. M. HAYEN was arrested on the 10th at Rutland, Vt., charged with embezzling \$40,000 while Treasurer of the Rutland Railroad Company. Bail was fixed at \$10,000, which he furnished.

ST. PAUL, Minn., had a \$50,000 fire on the 11th.

CORD DUEL, who killed Henry Bass at Paris, Ohio, was captured at Bucyrus and taken to Canton on the 11th. The murder was the result of a quarrel between the men.

AT Philadelphia, on the 11th, William H. Parnell was arrested on a charge of embezzling \$8,700 from Sinclair & Laughlin, wholesale grocers. He was the firm's book-keeper.

SIX new fever cases and two deaths were reported at the Pensacola Navy Yard on the 12th.

THE protracted drought which has done great damage to crops in Virginia, was ended by a very heavy rain on the 11th, but too late, it was feared, to do corn much good.

THE trunk line freight agents were in session at Cleveland on the 12th.

FIVE of the victims of the rag warehouse fire at Cincinnati were buried on the 12th.

IT was rumored on the 11th that E. Manson & Son, owners of the Bay View House, Ferry Beach, and managers of the Ocean House, Old Orchard, and the Augusta House, Augusta, Me., had failed for large amounts.

THE ninth annual convocation of the Chapter General of America of the Knights of St. John and Malta opened in Philadelphia on the 11th.

THE Toronto Industrial Exposition was opened on the 12th by the Governor General.

TWO British gunboats had arrived at Canton. The foreign colony was thought to be safe.

FIRE caused \$150,000 damage in a West Madison street block in Chicago on the morning of the 12th.

A SHOOTING match for \$5,000 a side between Dr. Carver and Captain Stubbs was being talked of.

NEAR Grapeville, Pa., on the 11th Jos. Pume was killed by shot while in the act of robbing a farmer's potato patch.

AUSTRIA and Germany had made remonstrances regarding the action of Russian agents in Bulgaria.

THE Chinese army was concentrated at Pekin waiting the arrival of the French reinforcements at Fort Said, when they would invade Tonquin.

PRESIDENT ARTHUR has proclaimed that the World's Industrial and Cotton Centennial Exposition will open at New Orleans on the first Monday in December, 1884.

A SECRET society organized to foment agitation against the Jews has been broken up by the police at Agram. Several of its officers were arrested.

NEAR Omaha, on the 12th, an excursion train on the Missouri Pacific Railroad collided with a freight, injuring a large number of passengers.

JAMES KNIGHT and J. H. Wenzel were fatally assaulted near Cheyenne on the 12th, by H. Moore, who wanted to rob them of \$53.

THE gross earnings of the Western Union Telegraph Company for the fiscal year ended June 30, were \$19,454,902; net profits, \$7,660,340.

C. C. BALDWIN, President of the Louisville & Nashville Railroad Company, has been elected to the Western Union directory.

THE strike at the Manchester Iron and Steel Works at Pittsburgh, was settled by the Company reinstating Superintendent KJoman. The men resumed work on the 12th.

THE Steamer City of Washington, from New York for Havana, was struck by a hurricane on the 8th, which continued thirty-six hours. Two persons were injured.

A TUG-BOATMAN at Warrington, near Pensacola, was reported down with the yellow fever on the 13th.

YELLOW fever was reported at Guaymas and Hermosillo, Mexico, on the 13th.

IN consequence of a collision a Norwegian vessel sunk and twelve persons were drowned in the English channel on the 13th.

THE Italian steamship Independent went ashore on Long Island in a fog on the 13th and was in a dangerous situation. She had 160 passengers.

FIVE men were arrested in Philadelphia on the 13th for incendiarism. Over \$100,000 worth of property had been recently destroyed by incendiary fires.

KENTUCKY gaugers had asked the Internal Revenue Commissioner to modify the regulations so that they could earn \$5 a day, but he refused to do it.

A FRESHMAN at Lehigh University, Pa., jumped out of a window to avoid hazing and fractured his foot. The Sophomores were to be expelled.

PETROLEUM exports for the seven months ended July 31 were \$26,688,325.

PROF. WARNER's balloon collapsed on the 13th, 8,000 feet above the city of Pittsburgh. The fall was so gradual that the aeronaut landed uninjured.

THE new Inman steamer City of Chicago made a trial trip recently, accomplishing a speed of fifteen knots an hour.

FIRE destroyed the Surveyor General's office, with all the land records, at Olympia, W. T., on the 13th.

THE steamship Regulator, which arrived at Wilmington, N. C., on the 13th, reported the Fryingpan Shoals light-ship gone from her moorings, and it was feared she had foundered.

THE Governor of New Mexico has made an official report that with the exception of Judge McComas and wife, no citizen had been killed by Indians in that Territory since October, 1881.

THE total number of pension claims of all kinds pending in the Pension Office the 30th of June, 1883, was 244,505; and of this number 148,813 involved arrears.

THE steamer Athenian, with O'Donnell, the steamer of James Carey, on board, arrived at Funchal, Madeira, on the 13th, from Cape Town. A close watch was kept upon all visitors in town.

THE International Literary Conference, in session at Berne, Switzerland, on the 13th, adopted a copyright convention, to be submitted to the International Congress at Amsterdam on the 25th inst.

NEGOTIATIONS between France and China were said to be progressing favorably.

A BRIDGE fell into the canal at Utica, N. Y., on the 14th, and navigation was temporarily blocked.

THE United States Express Company was robbed of a \$5,000 package at Muncie, Ind., a few nights ago.

THE Brooklyn Felt Hat Works and some other establishments burned out on the morning of the 14th; loss \$150,000.

RECENT advices from Hayti were to the effect that the towns of Bainet and Maringot had been recovered from the insurgents.

BARBARA MILLER was hanged at Richmond, Va., on the 14th, for complicity in the murder of her husband last February.

THE city of Pensacola still remained healthy. There were three new cases and one death at the Navy Yard on the 14th.

A SERIOUS riot was reported at a coal mine on the Upper Lehigh, near Reading, Pa., on the 14th. One woman was killed and several men wounded.

BREGLANS entered the Post-office at Junction City, O., the night of the 13th and captured the entire stock of postal notes with the official punch and office stamp.

NINE Germans and three Englishmen made fight to protect their property against the mob at Canton. One of the buildings burned belonged to an American firm.

TWO children of a woman named Giroux were burned to death in their house at East Templeton, Ont., on the 14th.

FOUR indictments were found against ex-Treasurer J. M. Haven of the Rutland Railroad Company, charging embezzlement of money and overissues of stock.

THE pilots of Pensacola Bar recently joined in publishing a denial of the charge that the introduction of yellow fever to Pensacola was due to their negligence.

JOHN P. TRAUTWINE, civil engineer, who surveyed the Atrato and Napipi Rivers, Panama, in connection with the interoceanic canal, died on the 14th, aged seventy-four.

THE Merchants' Union Burned Wire Works at Des Moines, Ia., barred the evening of the 14th.

THE dwelling of Frank Campa at Milwaukee, Wis., burned the night of the 13th and two of his children were fatally burned.

IT is said that a company at Fort Worth, Tex., has raised \$50,000 to establish a crematory there, with the object of having the bodies of those who die from diseases that are contagious incinerated, and say that if this is done they can eradicate malarial fevers, cholera and small-pox.

AT the session of the Great Council of Red Men at Atlantic City, N. J., on the 14th, the revision of the constitution was made the special order for the first day of next year's Great Council. Some changes were made in the beneficiary fund. The requirements for the establishment of State Councils were modified considerably. Adjourned to meet at Springfield, Ill., the second Tuesday in September, 1884.

CONDENSED TELEGRAMS.

THE report of the Commissioners of Immigration of the State of New York showed that 363,374 immigrants landed at the port of New York from August 3, 1872, to June 30, 1883, inclusive. The largest number landed in any month was 69,569, in May, 1883, and the smallest, 8,243, in January of the same year. The duty imposed on the Board of returning paupers and persons unable to take care of themselves, to the ports where they came from, had been carefully exercised, and a large number of undesirable persons had been sent back.

THE Postoffice Department began the distribution of the new two-cent stamps on the 15th, and the requisition on the contractors was the largest in the number of pieces and value ever for 37,879,830 postage stamps, 7,137,650 stamped envelopes (most of them being of the two-cent denomination), and 5,983,000 postal cards. The aggregate of stamps, envelopes and cards ordered was \$360,000.

THE other night Richard Brown, wife and five children, of Pittsburgh, Pa., while at supper ate heartily of canned corned beef, and about an hour after all were attacked with violent pains in the stomach, accompanied by vomiting. A physician was called in, who pronounced the symptoms those of poisoning. Wesley Brown, aged twenty, died, and the other members of the family were in a serious condition. The peanut crop of Virginia is reported to be a failure and the loss \$200,000.

THE New Hampshire Legislature closed the longest session of that body, in the history of the State, on the 15th. The members each received 102 days' pay, requiring over \$100,000.

COLONEL ROBERT M. MAYO, of Westmoreland County, Va., member of Congress, shot himself the other morning on board the steamer Virginia, from Baltimore for Norfolk.

A FIRE at Delphos, Ohio, on the morning of the 15th, entirely consumed the extensive works of the Pittsburgh Hoop and Barrel Company. The night watchman was in the building at the time and was burned to death. Loss, \$75,000; insurance, \$30,000.

THE body of Frank Devereaux was recently found in the woods eight miles from Cheboygan, Mich. The surroundings showed that he was killed in a bear fight, which resulted fatally for both, as the animal's body was found near that of the dead man. The body was terribly cut up in the contest, and the ground torn for a space of twenty feet, showing that the struggle had been a fearful one.

THE steamer Wm. Harrison, from Hull to Boston, ran into the steam collier Professor Morse, from New York, on the other morning. The Harrison was cut to the water's edge; the Morse, being an iron vessel, received no damage.

KANSAS STATE NEWS.

Kansas Crops.

THE report of the State Board of Agriculture for August showed that of the eighty-one organized counties in the State, but ten report a poor crop prospect this year. These ten counties are all situated in the extreme western portion of the State, and have but a slight acreage compared with the remainder of the section covered by the area planted in the section covered by the ten counties not being more than one-twentieth of the whole. Of these ten counties, Ellis and Sheridan report a total failure, while the remainder have produced a small yield. In the territory mentioned the cause of failure is attributed in most instances to lack of sufficient rainfall, and the prevalence of hot southwestern winds.

Much of the crop has been cut for fodder. In all other portions of the State a most bountiful crop has been raised. In the northeastern section, where much damage was done early in the season by continued wet weather and unusual floods, and a large amount of replanting done, the production has exceeded all expectations, the replanted area producing a much heavier crop than could have been reasonably hoped for. The estimated yield of the State, as determined from the reports of 350 correspondents, is 44.4 bushels per acre, or a production of 206,839,739 bushels—an increase over the large crop of 1882 of about 50,000,000 bushels. This immense yield will place Kansas very nearly at the head of the corn growing States for 1883. The crop has been unusually free from injurious conditions, the most serious drawback being the cold and wet spring. Injurious insects have not made their appearance this year in numbers to cause alarm, and the hot winds from the southwest only occurred in the western portion of the State, and then but for a very short time. The month of August has been unusually a trying period for corn in Kansas, but this year there was a sufficient rainfall to most portions, and the result is the largest crop in the history of the State. The damage done to the oat crop during harvest and since, caused by the heavy rains is not nearly so extensive as was at one time anticipated, the loss not being quite eight per cent of the whole crop. From information received from correspondents and other sources during the past month, there is every reason to believe that the estimate of the yield of the oat crop, as given in the monthly report for July, was placed too low. The condition of both tame and prairie grasses is better than it was last year at this time, by 20 per cent. The total area in grass under fence for 1883 is 3,278,132 acres, an increase during the year of nearly 100 per cent. The sorghum crop promises well and the yield will be fully ten per cent greater than last year. Every county in the State, except two, makes a good report upon Irish potatoes. The crop exceeds that of 1882 by fifty per cent, and better than any previous year by twenty-five per cent. Sweet potatoes also promise an abundant crop. There are a few isolated cases of disease reported among live stock, but nothing in epidemic form. The general opinion is that live stock has not been in better condition for years. The high price obtained this year for pork has increased the numbers of swine largely. The increase from March 1, 1882, to March 1, 1883, is over thirteen per cent, or 165,286 head. In sheep the increase over last is eighteen per cent or 176,119 head, and the increase in milch cows over nine per cent, or 38,183 in numbers. There were made in the year ending March 1, 1882, 23,947,016 pounds of butter, an increase over the previous year of 4,330,130 pounds. The increase in the number of horses over 1882 is 24,748, or over six per cent. For the first time in the history of the State the numbers of other cattle have reached a million. The increase over 1882 is 162,036, or over sixteen per cent. This increase is largely due to the western counties, where the grazing of cattle and sheep is fast supplanting all other industries.

Miscellaneous.

MISS MOLLY MONDAY, a sales-girl of the dry goods firm of Small, Ramsey & Voorhes, of Leavenworth, recently attempted to commit suicide by taking three grains of morphine. Her condition was discovered in time, and medical aid was at once summoned.

BRADFORD J. LOVELAND, of Shawnee County, while recently attending the engine of a threshing machine, was caught by the clothing by the machinery, dragged between the fly-wheel and boiler and fatally injured.

POSTOFFICE changes in Kansas for the two weeks ending September 8: Established—Bodock, Butler County, George Sherar, postmaster; Stockrango, Ellis County, William H. Deserve, postmaster. Discontinued—Agonda, Republic County; To Die, Jewell County; Oregon, Jefferson County; Smithfield, Graham County. Name changed—Tiffany, Gove County, to Mahan.

RECENTLY a Concord coach, containing thirty passengers, was upset at the gate of the Leavenworth fair grounds while returning from a game of base-ball, and City Clerk Shepherd and young McKinley were seriously injured, the former, it was feared, fatally.

UPON complaint of United States Attorney Holloway, warrants were issued at Wichita for the arrest of Captain D. L. Payne, of Oklahoma fame, and the officers of his colony, and they were taken into custody. Payne says that he will now have an opportunity of testing the entire matter in the courts.

DAVID READ, of Wyandotte, whose house was wrecked by the cyclone last spring and his wife killed, while recently digging a well was overcome by gas, a vein of which he struck. A physician pronounced his case hopeless.

FORTY-FIVE men laying gas mains at Parsons recently struck for an advance of twenty-five cents a day, and afterwards got thirty-five men laying water pipes to join them.

FAIR-WEEK all along the line.

THE Sheriff of Wyandotte County recently raided the violators of law who had been in the habit of leaving Kansas City and going to Armourdale every Sunday to enjoy a social and convivial Sabbath. All amusements and performances obeyed his demand to quit, except at the dancing platform, where the managers said they would contest the legality of stopping them.

THE closing day of the Inter-State Temperance Camp Meeting at Merriam Park, near Kansas City, was largely attended. Ex-Governor St. John made the leading address of the day.

COL. E. B. WHITMAN, prominent in the pioneer days of Kansas, died recently in Cambridge, Mass.

ANOTHER ARCTIC FAILURE.

Arrival of the Steamship Yantic from the Arctic Regions at St. Johns, N. F., with the Officers and Crew of the Proteus, which was Crushed in an Ice Field and Lost, with All the Supplies Intended for the Greeley Party—No Authentic News of the Latter.

ST. JOHNS, N. F., Sept. 13.

The United States Greeley relief steamship Yantic has just anchored here, and her tidings are lamentable. No word has been received from Greeley or any of his party.

WASHINGTON, D. C., Sept. 13.

The signal officer has received the following from Lieut. Gartington, commanding the Greeley relief expedition:

ST. JOHNS, N. F., Sept. 13.

It is my painful duty to report the total failure of the expedition. The Proteus was crushed in a pack—latitude 78 degrees 52 minutes, longitude 74 degrees 25 minutes—and sunk on the afternoon of the 23d of July. My party and the crew of the ship are all saved. I made my way across Smith's Sound and along the eastern shore to Cape York, thence across Melville Bay to the Upernavik, arriving there August 24. The Yantic reached the Upernavik September 2, and left the same day, bringing the entire party here to-day. All are well. E. A. GARTINGTON.

The first officer of the Proteus briefly summarizes the trip of the ill-fated Proteus as follows: The Yantic and Proteus left St. Johns at four p. m., June 26. The Proteus arrived at God Haven Bay, Disco Island, July 6. The Yantic arrived at the same place July 12. When the necessary preparations were made the Proteus sailed for Cory Island, arriving there on the 16th. It left on the 21st, and two days afterward was crushed, sinking at seven p. m., July 23. Twenty-nine days were spent in the boats, several storms were encountered, from which the boats took refuge under lee of the icebergs, and Lieutenant Colwell and six of the crew parted company with the others at Cape York. They found the Yantic July 31. It reported Captain Pike and the remainder of the crew moving northward. The Yantic reached Cory Island August 2. The same night she proceeded to Pandora harbor, where records from Pike and the Yantic were found. She next proceeded south along the Greenland coast, sending boats all around the islands in search of the missing crew. A storm and heavy pack of ice, August 9, forced Yantic to anchor to leeward of the Northumberland Island. The next day she bore away for Upernavik, arriving there August 22. On the 27th she started for the Waigat coast, mines, and returned to Upernavik. September 2, Captain Pike and crew were found and taken on board the Yantic. It seems that at the first intimation of the Proteus disaster, which was found August 3 at Littleton Island by the Yantic, Lieutenant Gartington left a record there that he was coming south, describing the shipwreck and indicating the general movement of Captain Pike and the ship's company. On the 4th search was instituted for the Proteus. Captain Alexander to Cape Roberts, on every point likely to bring up with the retreating party. They searched until September 2, when Upernavik was reached, and the whole Proteus party was found in good health and tolerable spirits. They were exposed during thirty-one days and nights in their boats, making some stoppages at intermediate harbors. The Proteus was crushed in the floe of ice at three o'clock in the evening of the 23d of July and sank within five hours. Fortunately sufficient time was given to save clothing, provisions, compass and other necessities to meet what might prove a protracted voyage. On the 26th the boats being equipped, provisioned and manned, a start was made. The scene of the disaster was eight miles north-northwest of Cape Sabine, latitude 79 deg., 51 min. north. Over 600 miles of ice and frigid sea were passed before Upernavik was reached. The worst feature in the unfortunate Proteus expedition is that no provisions were landed or caches made, and all stores intended for the Arctic Colony's relief went down in the steamer. While at anchor in Danish Harbor, August 12, Governor Elbury came on board the Yantic and reported that the Danish steamer Sophia had arrived there from the harbor thirty miles north of Cape York, and the captain stated that a native Eskimo told him that two natives with the Greeley expedition arrived on sledges last winter and reported the party all well, except Dr. Parry, who had died. These natives went back to Lady Franklin Bay. Another Eskimo arrived from the Greeley camp and reported that all the officers had been murdered by the men. Neither of these reports is reliable, as the fondness of the Eskimo for lying and sensational places them in the category of fiction. Capt. Pink says that as far north as Cape Sabine there was no trace of Greeley or his party, and his failure to come south to Littleton Island to meet the relief steamer his summer leaves grave apprehensions as to their probable fate.

WASHINGTON, D. C., Sept. 13.

The following report from the commander of the United States steamer Yantic, with regard to the failure of the Greeley relief expedition, was received to-night by the Acting Secretary of the Navy:

ST. JOHNS, Sept. 13.

Hon. Wm. E. Chandler, Secretary of the Navy, Washington, D. C.:

The United States steamer Yantic has arrived, bringing Capt. Pike and crew of the Proteus. Lieut. Gartington and the Greeley relief party are all well. The steamer Proteus was crushed in the ice six miles north of Cape Sabine, July 23. The crew and relief party, after depositing records at Littleton Island and Pandora Harbor, retreated south in six boats to Upernavik, suffering much hardship in Melville Bay. The Yantic reached Littleton Island August 2 without much difficulty, found the records, and immediately proceeded southward. Searched the coasts and islands thoroughly down to Sandness Island. The ice-pack then closed in, and they could neither get around nor through, and it was found necessary to retreat under the lee of Northumberland Island.

August 9: A southward gale having loosened the pack, the steamer was able to get through, and continued the search. The steamer Cape York was filled with ice packed close. It could not get within twenty miles of the land.

August 10: Having ice in all directions but the southeast, it proceeded to Cape Tassellak and sent fifteen days' rations to Tassellak and a whale boat to Cape Shackleton.

August 22: Sailed for the coal mine, thence to God Haven.

August 31: Lieutenant Caldwell arrived in the launch from Upernavik, having been thirty-nine days in an open boat. They have separated under orders at Cape York. It sailed the same day for Upernavik, and found the party had arrived.

September 2: Proceeded homeward and encountered a rough passage. Permission was asked to coal here.

FRANK WILDES.

WASHINGTON, D. C., Sept. 13.

Capt. Caziare, acting Chief Signal officer, said to-night that a telegram had been sent to Lieut. Gartington this afternoon asking him to state what stores, if any, had been deposited by him on Littleton's Island. He was also requested to give the department full information immediately of what could be done to send relief to Greeley this fall. The department had not yet received a reply to this telegram. Capt. Caziare said the department realizes fully the critical situation in which Lieut. Greeley and his party were placed, and that nothing that could possibly be done to relieve them would be left undone.

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